3279. WEST INDIAN SUGARCANE ROOT BORER

State Exterior Quarantine

A quarantine is established against the following pest, its hosts, and possible carriers.

- A. Pest. West Indian sugarcane root borer, Diaprepes abbreviatus, a pest native to the West Indies, which causes serious damage to sugarcane and also attacks ornamental nursery stock, citrus, corn, sweet potatoes, cotton, and peppers.
- **B.** Area Under Quarantine. State of Florida: Counties of Broward, Collier, Dade, Glades, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Orange, Palm Beach, Polk, Seminole, St. Lucie and Volusia.
- C. Articles and Commodities Covered.
 - 1. Soil, sand, or gravel separately or with other things.
 - **2. All plants** and plant parts and plant products capable of propagation.
- D. Restrictions. Articles and commodities covered are admissible into California from the area under quarantine if they have been certified by an authorized agricultural inspector of the state of origin to have been treated for West Indian sugarcane root borer in an approved manner or to have originated in an area free from the sugarcane root borer.
 - **1. Exemptions.** The following articles are exempt from the certification requirements of this quarantine:
 - a. Seed.
 - **b.** Fruits and vegetables grown above ground.
 - **c.** Fleshy roots, corms, tubers, and rhizomes, if washed or otherwise freed of soil.
 - d. Defoliated bare root nursery stock.
 - e. Privately-owned indoor decorative houseplants.

ADDITIONAL INFESTED AREAS

APPENDIX A

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Florida

The counties of Desoto, Marion, Martin, Osceola, Pasco and Sumter.

Texas

A portion of Hidalgo County in the vicinity of McAllen.